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SUBJECT: KISSINGER TESTIMONY BEFORE SFRC

1. FOLLOWING IS EXCERPT FROM TRANSCRIPT OF KISSINGER
TESTIMONY BEFORE SFRC ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11:

QUOTE. SENATOR PELL. IN CONNECTION WITH GREECE, WHERE
THERE HAS BEEN APPARENTLY SOME CHANGES OF LATE, GENERAL
RELEASE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS, APPARENTLY SOME
IMPROVEMENT, DO YOU SEE THIS TENDENCY CONTINUING?

DO YOU HAVE ANY VIEWS WITH REGARD TO THIS
STATIONING OF OUR FLEET IN ATHENS AND THE BOLSTERING OF
THE REGIME AS WE HAVE DONE IN THE PAST?

MR. KISSINGER. WE HAVE NOT. I HAVE NOT HAD AN
OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE EXACT IMPLICATIONS OF THESE
NEW GREEK DECISIONS SINCE GREECE HAS BECOME A REPUBLIC.

ON THE SURFACE THEY SEEM ENCOURAGING AND THEY SEEM
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TO REFLECT SOME OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS WE MADE

WHEN AMBASSADOR TASCA CALLED ON THE GREEK GOVERNMENT
PRIOR TO THE REFERENDUM,

AND THEREFORE I SEE NO REASON NOT TO PROCEED WITH THE
HOME PORTING ARRANGEMENTS THAT NOW EXIST.

SENATOR PELL. THANK YOU. RUSH

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